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	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/634,586	
Notice of Allowability	Examiner	GRUBER ET AL. Art Unit
	Sean E. Vincent	1731
The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.		
1. This communication is responsive to <u>amendment filed Sept</u>	tember 3, 2004.	
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-16</u> .		
3. The drawings filed on <u>05 August 2003</u> are accepted by the Examiner.		
4. ☑ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority un a) ☑ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:		
 Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. <u>09/558,772</u>. 		
 Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). 		
* Certified copies not received:		
Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.		
5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.		
6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must	be submitted.	
(a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached		
1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of		
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ldentifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.8 each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the	4(c)) should be written on the drawing header according to 37 CFR 1 121(d	gs in the front (not the back) of
7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT For	t of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL m	nust ha submitted. Note the
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Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	5. Notice of Informal Pa	itent Application (PTO-152)
2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)	6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No./Mail Date _	Paper No./Mail Date), 7. ⊠ Examiner's Amendm	ent/Comment
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit	8. 🗌 Examiner's Statemer	nt of Reasons for Allowance
of Biological Material	9.	
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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

- 1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
- 2. The application has been amended as follows:
- 3. In the specification, within the added continuing data, after "2000" the following has been inserted: --, now US Patent 6,634,188--.
- 4. With regards to the proposed drawing change submitted with the amendment and arguments filed September 3, 2004, the examiner does not wish to have formal drawings submitted corresponding to the proposed changes. It is the position of the examiner that the applicant's arguments have clarified the differences between the patented claims and the claims of this application. Additional drawing figures would raise the issue of new matter.
- 5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sean E. Vincent whose telephone number is (571) 272-1194. The examiner can normally be reached on M F (8:30 6:00).
- 6. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Steven P. Griffin can be reached on (571) 272-1189. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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